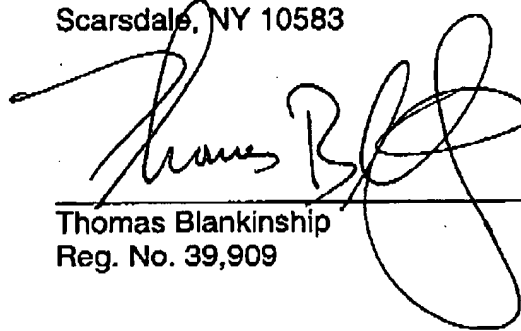


**REMARKS**

Claims 1 to 17 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 4, 5, 7, and 11 have been amended.

Applicant has elected compound 8 as shown on page 38 and claimed in its isomeric forms in dependent claims 4, 7, and 11, namely the top two structures of those claims. Independent claim 1 recites a generic formula (I) that includes compound 8. Independent claim 5 relates to the process for the preparation of a compound of generic formula (I) encompassing the elected compound 8 within its scope. Claims 12 to 17 relate to the intermediates formed in the process of preparing the compound of generic formula (I) as claimed in claim 5.

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